




**nCorona Virus Outbreak Control and Prevention State Cell
Health & Family Welfare Department
Government of Kerala**


**TESTING, QUARANTINE, HOSPITAL ADMISSION AND DISCHARGE CRITERIA FOR nCoV
1st Feb 2020**

Category	Description	Symptomatic/ Asymptomatic for n CoV	Testing criteria	Admission/ Follow up	Discharge criteria (if applicable)
1.a	A person who came to Kerala from WUHAN within last 14 days [after Jan 15 th 2020]	Symptomatic	Test for nCoV	Admit in Corona Isolation Unit- Severe (fever, Dyspnea /ARDS or other serious complications)- MCH, Less severe cases- GH/DH/THQH.	X ray negative and 2 samples 24 hrs apart are negative, and clinical decision Ensure home isolation after discharge from Hospital till 28 days.
1.b	A person who came to Kerala from WUHAN within last 14 days	Asymptomatic	Test for nCoV	Strict Home Isolation. Re-classify if symptoms develop. Testing could be done at THQ/GH/DH/MCH	

2.a	A person who came to Kerala from China- NOT WUHAN but within last 14 days	Symptomatic	Test for nCoV	Admit in Corona Isolation Unit; Severe (Dyspnea, ARDS or other Serious complications)- MCH, Less severe cases- GH/DH/THQH.	X ray negative and 2 samples 24 hrs apart are negative and clinical Decision. Ensure home isolation after discharge from Hospital till 28 days.
2.b	A person who came to Kerala from China NOT WUHAN	Asymptomatic	Testing deferred	Strict Home Quarantine Re-classify if symptoms develop	
3.a	A person who was exposed/came in close contact with a CONFIRMED case (contact as defined in guidelines; high risk and low risk)	Symptomatic	Test for nCoV	Admit in Corona Isolation Unit: Severe (Dyspnoea, ARDS or other Serious complications)- MCH, Less severe cases- GH/DH/THQH.	X ray negative and 2 samples 24 hrs apart are negative and clinical. Ensure home isolation for 28 days. Decision
3.b	A person who was exposed/came in close contact with a CONFIRMED case	Asymptomatic	Testing deferred	Strict Home Isolation Re-classify if symptoms develop	
4.a	A person who was exposed/came in close contact with a suspected case (contact as defined in guidelines; high risk and	Symptomatic	Test for nCoV	Admit in Corona Isolation Unit: Severe (Dyspnoea, ARDS or other Serious complications)-	X ray negative and 2 samples 24 hrs apart are negative and clinical Decision. Ensure home isolation

	low risk*) within last 14 days			MCH, Less severe cases- GH/DH/THQH.	after discharge from Hospital till 28 days based on source cases confirmation status.
4.b	A person who was exposed/came in close contact with a suspected case	Asymptomatic	Testing deferred	Avoid non-essential travel and community/social contact; Close monitoring for onset of fever/ other symptoms; Reclassify	
5.a	A person who has come from a country reported to be affected with nCoV OTHER THAN CHINA but no contact with the confirmed/suspected case in the country	Symptomatic	Test for nCoV	Strict Home Isolation	

5.b	A person who has come from a country reported to be affected with nCoV OTHER THAN CHINA but no contact with the conf/sus case in the country	Asymptomatic	Testing deferred	Avoid non-essential travel and community/social contact; Close monitoring for onset of fever/ other symptoms; reclassify Practice cough and sneeze hygiene and hand hygiene	
6.a	A person who came to Kerala from a country where nCoV infection has not been reported as per WHO list	Symptomatic	Testing deferred	Do NOT admit in corona isolation ward or any general ward. If admission required treat in separate room; with standard precautions to be taken.	
6.b	A person who came to Kerala from a country infection has not been reported as per WHO list	Asymptomatic	Testing deferred	No home quarantines. Close monitoring for onset of fever/ other symptoms; if becomes symptomatic manage as per 6.a	
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